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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH MEA MINISTER JOSEPH

1. ON FEBRUARY 13 AT 1530 I PRESENTED LETTER FROM SECRETARY OF STATE ADDRESSED TO THE PRIME MINISTER DR. ERIC WILLIAMS TO THE MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DR. CUTHBERT JOSEPH. I WAS ACCOMPANIED BY MY DCM, ROBERT RICH. THIS FOLLOWED THE SUGGESTION MADE BY THE PRIME MINISTER DR. WILLIAMS THAT ALL MATTERS RELATING TO THE OAS BE DIRECTED THROUGH DR. JOSEPH. I GAVE DR. JOSEPH A COPY OF THIS LETTER. HE INDICATED THAT THE ORIGINAL LETTER WOULD BE PRESENTED TO DR. WILLIAMS BEFORE THE CABINET MEETING TO BE HELD THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14. WE DISCUSSED THE OAS MEETING AND THE OBJECTIVES OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. DR. JOSEPH WAS VERY UNDERSTANDING OF THESE OBJECTIVES AND APPEARED TO BE IN AGREEMENT.

2. I ALSO PRESENTED DR. JOSEPH A COPY OF THE FULL TEXT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S SPEECH ON PRINCIPLES FOR PANAMA CANAL TREATY NEGOTIATIONS. I INDICATED TO HIM THAT THIS COULD HELP HIM TO UNDERSTAND THE TONE OF THE FORTHCOMING OAS MEETING. BEFORE WE LEFT, DR. JOSEPH ASKED IF WE HAD A COPY OF THE SPEECH GIVEN BY SECRETARY OF STATE ON THE ENERGY CRISIS WHICH WE HANDED HIM FORTHWITH. DR. JOSEPH INDICATED THAT HE WOULD BE ATTENDING THE OAS MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR VICTOR MCINTYRE. MILLER

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